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THEFT OF A MOTOR WIND SCREEN

CHINESE PAYS DEARLY FOR
PRYING ABOUT GARAGE

LOOKING FOR A JOB

A Chinese named Chan Ming (44), was to-day charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with the theft of a wind screen from a motor car in a garage near Bismarck Villas, Victoria Road, Pokfulam, yesterday.

Yung Sang, the driver of the car, said that at about 12.45 p.m., yesterday the car was in the garage which opened on to a private drive a little distance above the level of the road. As he approached the garage to get the car he saw the accused coming out with the wind screen on his shoulder. When he saw witness the defendant sat down outside the garage and pretended to examine some instruments which were lying on the ground.

Merely Curiosity
Accused claimed that he was a newcomer having arrived here only three days ago. On arrival he worked at Aberdeen, doing odd jobs for a couple of days. He was not paid any wages so he left and decided to tramp to Sheklongtau, where he was told he could find work. On the way he passed the garage and saw a man bring the wind screen out, so he stopped to have a look. Then the complainant came along and arrested him whilst the other man bolted.

Asked what he was doing on the private path, accused at first said that he thought he could get a job there but on second thought, told the Magistrate that he did not know that the path was private as he had only been here three days.

Magistrate: Three days too many. Four months.

A SERIOUS LINE

Thefts Becoming Too
Common

In another case of theft from a motor car which came before him to-day, Mr. E. W. Hamilton remarked: "Thefts from motor cars are becoming very common, and I want to take a serious line."

The accused was a Chinese named Li Yui (28), who was charged with the theft of a motor horn from a car owned by Mr. Lo Yuhang of 19, Kennedy Road; alternatively, with receiving stolen property; and further, with unlawful possession of instruments fit for an unlawful purpose, namely, a screw driver, a spanner and a pair of pliers.

The accused was arrested on the afternoon of Christmas Day by Sanitary Inspector Strange in the lane at the rear of his house, 127 Wongnichong Road.

Not a Sportsman

Mr. Strange explained that he was watching a crowd of Chinese gathered on the hill at the back of his house at the football match when he noticed the accused, who did not appear to be interested in the game. Accordingly, he took it on himself to watch the man. Presently he saw the accused produce some paper and proceed to wrap something in it.

Then accused came down the hill and witness went out to the back lane to cut off his escape, being by this time satisfied that accused was a felon. As soon as the accused got down, witness revealed himself and asked what accused had in the parcel.

Accused Bolts

For answer, accused threw the parcel at witness and then bolted. He (Mr. Strange) caught the parcel and then went after the accused. He caught him in the middle of the valley and turned him over to a Chinese constable.

During the chase Mr. Strange saw accused throw another parcel into the garden of one of the Government houses. After accused's arrest he returned to the place and retrieved the parcel. It contained the horn bulb, whilst the parcel which accused threw at witness contained the horn.

The Chinese constable deposed to being present when accused was searched in the charge room when the spanner, etc., were taken from him.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton (Magistrate) gave evidence that he had parked his car unattended in Caroline Hill Road between 8.30 and 8.45 p.m., whilst he went to see the football.

Accused claimed to be a sportsman, and that he had been to the football match at the back of his house.

THEFT FROM CARS PREVALENT

COAT STOLEN FROM EUROPEAN
AT C.S. CRICKET CLUB

MAGISTRATE'S COMMENT

"Thefts from motor cars are becoming very prevalent, and are extremely annoying," remarked Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning in passing sentence of four months' hard labour on a Chinese named Li Kit (29), who was charged with the theft of an overcoat, the property of Mr. J. Fraser of the P.W.D., who had left it in his car outside the Civil Service Cricket Club at Happy Valley.

The case for the prosecution was that a Chinese constable saw the accused walking in Tin Lok Lane, towards the Praya, with the coat tucked under his arm. As the coat was obviously of good quality, the constable approached the accused to question him about it. Accused immediately bolted. The constable gave chase and caught him.

Asking For Trouble

When Mr. Fraser went into the witness box to identify his coat, the Magistrate remarked that by leaving it in the car he was asking for trouble in view of the large number of Chinese walking in the vicinity of the C.S.C.C.

Accused's story was a denial that he was caught in Tin Lok Lane. He alleged that he was stopped outside the C.S.C.C., almost immediately after he had picked the coat up from the ground. He had realised that the coat must belong to a member of the club and was about to take it inside to hand to the "boy" and ask for a cumshaw, when the constable seized him.

The Magistrate convicted.

THEFT OF BRASS

Mr. H. Marriott, of the Kowloon Docks, appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith as complainant in a case in which a Chinese stone breaker in the employment of Lam Woo, was charged with the theft of 42 lbs. of white brass, the property of the docks.

It was stated that the defendant was arrested and the brass was found concealed in his basket. Mr. Marriott pointed out that the brass was of great value and was used for the castings in the engines in the foundry.

In view of the value of the metal (\$134), the defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

WELL-CALCULATED. THEFT

That the theft was a well calculated one was the comment made by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a Chinese was charged before him with stealing 140 bamboo poles from a house under construction in Canton Road at the junction of Jordan Road.

It was stated that the defendant, by bluffing an Indian watchman, managed to remove a cartload of the bamboos, and tranship them to Hong Kong, where he sold them to another contractor.

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was passed.

Speaking about the tools found on him, accused said that he had been repairing a car belonging to a man named Yuen Cheung-kai until football time, and then went to watch the match, taking the tools with him.

Four Months' Jail

The Magistrate convicted accused of theft of the motor horn, remarking that accused had given no proof of the existence of the man Chan Yau. On the other hand, he could not produce any evidence of possession of the tools for an unlawful purpose, and the tools and bamboos were found on him.

THEFT OF XMAS CARDS

MAGISTRATE AND LARCENY
FROM LETTER BOXES

A MEAN OFFENCE

That the theft of letters from letter boxes was an offence deserving severe punishment was the opinion expressed by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when Lau Cho, unemployed, was charged before him on three counts as follows:—

(1) stealing a letter from a widow living at 107, Woosung Street;

(2) stealing two Christmas cards and a postcard from the Misses M. and D. Leung, residing at 21, Shanghai Street; and

(3) stealing a letter from a Chinese letter writer at 395, Reclamation Street.

The defendant admitted all three charges.

Brother Suspicious

For the prosecution, Detective Sergeant Fitches stated that the defendant on Christmas Eve went to 107, Woosung Street, and said to the widow that he had a letter for her from her mother in the country and he would require 25 cents for the expenses.

However, he did not get the money, and said that he would come the next day for it.

During the interval which lapsed, the woman told her brother of the queer situation and so, on Christmas night when the defendant called, the brother told him that he was suspicious about him, and at the same time discovered some more letters in the defendant's pocket. He then had him arrested.

At the Yaumati Station the letters were traced to the addresses concerned in the second and third charges.

Detective Sergeant Fitches pointed out that on the defendant was found a number of envelopes and a pen. In the third case, however, it was stated that the complainant was expecting the return of \$35 from his friend in the country and was pretty sure that that friend would not fail him. What happened to the money could not be discovered; the defendant had the envelope on him at the time of arrest.

The Magistrate sentenced the defendant to six months' jail with hard labour.

AIRMEN'S NARROW ESCAPE

FORCED TO JUMP FROM PLANE
WHEN OVER MOUNTAINS

ROSSI BADLY HURT

Rangoon, Yesterday.
In a telegram describing the accident to his aeroplane, Le. Brix says that they were flying at a height of 2,000 metres over the Moulmein Valley at midnight among clouds and amidst mountains. They found themselves being forced down to earth. It was impossible to turn back, so they flew in circles for an hour. The lighting gave out and the machine was frightfully buffeted. Finally they decided to jump in order to avoid striking the mountains. Rossi's parachute was damp and worked badly. He landed on his back and was delirious and in great pain. Natives carried him to a village. He will probably be laid up for six weeks. The aeroplane was destroyed.

Italian Plane Crashes

An Italian postal aeroplane with a crew of five crashed during a storm near the small island of Szentkuthy, off the Turkish coast. The Greek cruiser "Helle" was despatched to the rescue, but not trace of the machine or its occupants could be found.

Found Wrecked

Paris, Yesterday.
The mystery of the missing aeroplane has been cleared up. The machine was found wrecked off the coast of Tripoli. The three occupants are dead.

Search for Soviet Airmen

Seward, Alabama, Yesterday.
Three powerful cabinised aeroplanes, with experienced Canadian pilots attached, arrived to participate in the search for Lt. Ellison. The planes will be reassembled to fly to Hong Kong, where they will start the search. The planes carry special cameras for aerial details of the areas flown over, which can be noticed by the human eye.

Moscow, Yesterday.
Shostakov will fly in an aeroplane to the same type as the "Land of Soviets," which flew from New York to Moscow. Two other aeroplanes are present in Providence Bay, will participate in the search. The "Land of Soviets" has been damaged by a heavy fog. The "Land of Soviets" is a four-engine aeroplane.

ENGLISH LEAGUE FOOTBALL

ONLY SEVEN TEAMS WIN GAMES
AWAY

BOXING DAY RESULTS

London, Yesterday.
To-day's matches in the English League resulted as under:—

First Division	
Arsenal	1 Portsmouth
Birmingham	0 Manchester U.
Burnley	2 Bolton
Derby C.	3 Leeds
Huddersfield	3 West Ham
Leicester	1 Grimsby
Liverpool	2 Sheffield U.
Manchester C.	2 Aston Villa
Middlesbrough	2 Newcastle
Wednesday	4 Everton
Sunderland	3 Blackburn
Second Division	
Barnsley	1 Notts Forest
Bradford	2 Oldham
Cardiff	1 Bristol C.
Chelsea	4 Blackpool
Notts County	0 Swansea
Preston N.E.	1 Bury
Reading	1 Bradford C.
Southampton	1 Tottenham
Stoke	3 Hull
West Brom.	6 Millwall
Wolves	0 Charlton

MODERATE TO FAIR

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: An anti-cyclone has formed over S. E. Mongolia. Moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea. Forecast: N. E. winds, moderate; fair.

League Tables on Page 9.

Third Division (South)	
Bournemouth	1 Gillingham
Brighton	2 Brentford
Bristol R.	4 Fulham
Crystal Pal.	5 Walsall
Exeter	3 Southend
Luton	4 Plymouth
Plymouth	3 Coventry
Queen's P.R.	3 Norwich
Swindon	0 Clapton O.
Torquay	3 Newport
Watford	2 Merthyr
Third Division (North)	
Accrington	3 Darlington
Chesterfield	2 Rotherham
Doncaster	3 Rochdale
Lincoln	0 Halifax
New Brighton	3 Tranmere
South Shields	3 Hartlepool
Stockport	4 Port Vale
Wigan	1 Southport
Wrexham	1 Crewe
York	3 Barrow

The match between Carlisle and Nelson was postponed, the ground being unfit.—Reuter.

1929 rainfall .69.68 inches

Average 82.98 inches

Deficit 13.30 inches

POLAR EXPLORER IN PRISON

DR. COOK APPEALS FOR
RELEASE ON PAROLE

14 YEARS' SENTENCE

Leavenworth, Kansas, Yesterday.
The application of Dr. Cook, the Polar explorer, for a release on parole from his sentence of fourteen years' imprisonment for conspiracy to use mail fraudulently will be heard in January. Cook has served one-third of his sentence, therefore he is eligible for parole if he can produce a record of good behaviour.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI COURT

Better Understanding
Being Reached

Nanking, Yesterday.
The Shanghai Re-Organization Committee, after the afternoon session lasting from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., has reached a preliminary understanding with the Japanese Government regarding the re-organization of the city.

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BOXING FAVOURITES TO MEET

EWING AND CRICHTON SIGN
ARTICLES

A WELTER-WEIGHT CHAMPION

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Each of the five daughters is to have \$15,000 as dowry. The residue goes to the widow and three sons "for their enjoyment," as the will (which is very brief) says.

The estate consists mainly of property. The Duty Commissioner received \$180,600.85 (7½ per cent on the value) as the result of testator's death.

Race Course Catastrophe

Deceased was the 11th son of Choy Tsan who died fabulously rich and left a large family. Mr. Choy Yau-hang was a son by the 14th concubine, as was an elder brother who also left a very large sum when he died a few years ago. The mother, the 14th concubine in question, was one of the victims of the Race Course catastrophe in 1918. Her body could not be recovered; accordingly, an image in sandalwood was carved and placed in a coffin for the funeral procession, which was the longest in Hong Kong for many years.

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NAVIGATION RIGHTS

Treaty of China And
Britain Expires

Nanking, Yesterday.
At the Memorial Service the Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, stated that the North-eastern Authorities are acting under the instructions of the Central Government, the report that they are acting independently of the Central Government being absolutely groundless; that the National Government has withheld telegraph, telephone and radio facilities from the Nippon Dempe Agency for circulating false reports concerning China; on account of which the Foreign Ministry has lodged a protest with the Japanese Legation, as to associate with reactionaries and conduct reactionary propaganda constitutes a serious criminal offence; that adequate measures will be taken at the end of the year in regard to the extrajurisdictional issue for which efforts made during the current year have not been in vain; that the Ministry will establish new consular posts next year; that the Ministry next year will concentrate on the abolition of foreign land navigation rights, the withdrawal of foreign troops and the retrocession of concessions and settlements; and that not much difficulty is expected in the abolition of navigation rights, since the treaty with Japan has expired and that with Great Britain is to be revised at British initiative, the draft of the new treaty being already forwarded to the British Government for consideration. In conclusion, Dr. Wang emphatically declared: "All these measures must be achieved for no nation's sovereignty is complete without the power to control foreigners in the country."—Canton News Agency.

FRENCH DEMANDS AT CONFERENCE

IMPORTANCE OF TONNAGE

Paris, Yesterday.
The French memorandum to Great Britain on the subject of Naval disarmament, contends that the reduction of armaments should be based in clause eight of the Covenant of the League, which declares that the only basis suitable is the preparation of an agreement not involving a priori mathematical formula, acceptable to all Governments not represented at London.

The memorandum indicates a preference for limitation by tonnage, but declares France's readiness to adhere to compromise as to the method of regulating the distribution of tonnage among different classes of ships, and says that the interdependence of armaments is a fundamental principle of French policy.

The French Government hopes not to be obliged to deal with questions relating to the fixing of land and air armaments, but must point out that tonnage adequate to its naval requirements is closely related to the general level of armaments and says that France is not averse to solutions entailing the Powers so desirous of entering definite, mutual agreements, without awaiting for the conclusion of all armaments. It emphasizes the importance of tonnage, adequate to national needs from a geographical and political viewpoint.

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YACHT RACE TO MACAO

"NORSEMAN" FIRST TO
FINISH

ARE OTHERS BECALMED?

This year's race (the sixth) to Macao and back is proving the longest in the history of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club since it was made an annual affair.

The ten Club cruisers—a record entry—were expected back some time this morning, after hope had been given up last night on account of the wind falling.

At 7.30 a.m. (24 hours after the start) there was no sign of them. Later in the day it was said that some were in the harbour, making their way laboriously to the Yacht Club at North Point.

Actually, "Norseman" was the first boat to finish, the time of crossing the line being 37.04 minutes past 12. More than half an hour later came "Queen Bee," whose time was 1.08.43.

Shortly afterwards, "Curlew" (which had been the last to get away at the start yesterday) was observed in the vicinity of Stonecutters' Island, in the harbour. It was then thought that she would complete the course (of about 30 miles) in another hour. From inquiry at the Yacht Club, it was learned that none of the other seven yachts had even entered Hong Kong harbour yet. These are "La Cigale" (last year's winner and scratch boat), "U and V" (winner in 1927), "Typhoon" (fi across the starting line yesterday morning), "Chenook," "Wanderer," "Azuma," "Coquette."

"Queen Bee," which finished second to-day, was first to round the mark boat off Macao yesterday, doing so at 5.15 p.m. "Norseman," which beat her on the way back, when the conditions became even worse, was 10 minutes behind her at the half way stage.

"Norseman's" Passage
Aboard "Norseman" were Lt. Comdr. L. G. Addington, Pay Lt. Comdr. D. M. Passmore and Lt. Comdr. E. E. Hill, all of the Royal Navy.

"Norseman" went south of Lantau Island (which is larger than and to the west of Hong Kong) yesterday, in company with "Queen Bee" and "Curlew."

"Chenook" was left behind at midday near Cheung Chau Island, which is southeast of Lantau.

About 1.30 p.m., "Queen Bee" and "Curlew" drew ahead and had a fair wind down to Macao, as did "Norseman," which was in their wake.

It now transpires that "Curlew" was with "Queen Bee" when she rounded the Macao mark boat at 5.15 p.m. yesterday.

Not till 8 o'clock last night did "Norseman" catch up with "Curlew" again and, at that time, "Queen Bee" was two miles ahead.

At 9.30 p.m. "Norseman" was hailed by "Coquette," in the passage north of Lantau, "Coquette" having gone that way instead and was still bound for Macao.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES

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Poultry.		1929.	1918.	1914.	
		Cts.	Cts.	Cts.	
Chicken	鷄	lb.	46	30	31
Capons, Small	鷄	"	50	28	30
Capons, Large	鷄	"	60	28	30
Duck	鴨	"	45	22	21
Devs	鴨	每	35	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	34	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	鮮雞蛋	"	36	25	20
Fowls, Canton	地鴨	lb.	66	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	"	42	35	24
Geese	鴨	"	42	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	45	80	—
" Holow	白鴿	"	26	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	公雞	lb.	75	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞	"	60	51	45
Snipe	沙山鴉	pair	1.80	—	—
Pheasant	鴉	each	20	—	—
Quail	鴉	"	20	—	—
Partridges	鴉	"	20	—	—

Almonds	杏 仁	lb.	90	35	—
Apples (California) ..	金山苹果	"	22	24	—
Bananas (bride's)	蕉山香蕉	"	5	4	—
Carambola	楊 桃	"	—	12	—
Coconuts	椰 子	cach	13	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	8	25	30
Lemons (American) ..	金山檸檬	cach	16	8	—
Liches, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	90	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新嘉坡	"	10	—	—

Oranges	橙	"	16	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	18	—	—
Peanuts	花生	"	13	10	12
Persimmons, Large ..	大柿	"	—	12	—
Plantain	蕉	"	5	8	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	16	12	6
Walnuts	胡桃	lb.	18	—	16
Grapes	菩提子	"	45	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes	鴨掌菜	each	10	—	2
Beans, Sprout	芽豆	lb.	6	—	7
" Long	長芽豆	"	—	8	—
Beet Root	紅頭菜	"	10	—	—
Bitter Squash	苦蕒	"	6	24	—
Brijajals, Green	青瓜	"	6	5	8
" Red	紅瓜	"	8	5	3
Cabbage, Chinese	大芥菜	"	8	—	—
" (Shanghai) ..	上海芥	"	12	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch ..	蔗	"	10	—	—
Cauliflower (Large) ..	大花椰菜	each	18	—	—
" (Medium) ..	中花椰菜	"	14	—	—
" (Small)	細花椰菜	"	10	6	6

Carrots	金猪	笋菜	lb.	6	5	6
Celery, Chinese	奧椒			10	—	6
Chillies, Dried	特紅	椒		30	25	5
" Red	紅	椒		16	10	16
" Green	綠	花		10	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	菜	料		10	8	—
Cucumbers	青			6	2	—
Garlic	蒜	頭		10	6	6
Ginger, Young	清	薑		14	7	—
" Old	老	薑		10	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai				30	8	4
Indian Corn	粟	米		8	45	—
Lettuce	生			6	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬	蹄		8	—	8
" Mandarin	桂	林		10	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	菇	菜		—	—	8

Okroos	洋蔥	頭	8	1	10
Onions, Bombay	生葱	頭	6	4	0
" Green	生葱	頭	6	0	0
" Shanghai	上海葱	頭	6	0	0
Parsley	芹	葉	14	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	芋	5	8	—
" Japanese	日本薯	芋	4	3	—
" American	金山薯	芋	5	3	—
Pumpkin	冬瓜	瓜	5	4	—
Radish	紅蘿蔔	仔	5	—	—
Rhubarb, (Fresh)	大紅苤	苤	—	—	10

Shallots	干葱	頭菜	"	10	—	8
Spinach	"	"	"	6	8	—
Tomatoes	"	茄	"	8	4	—
Taro	"	芋	"	4	7	—
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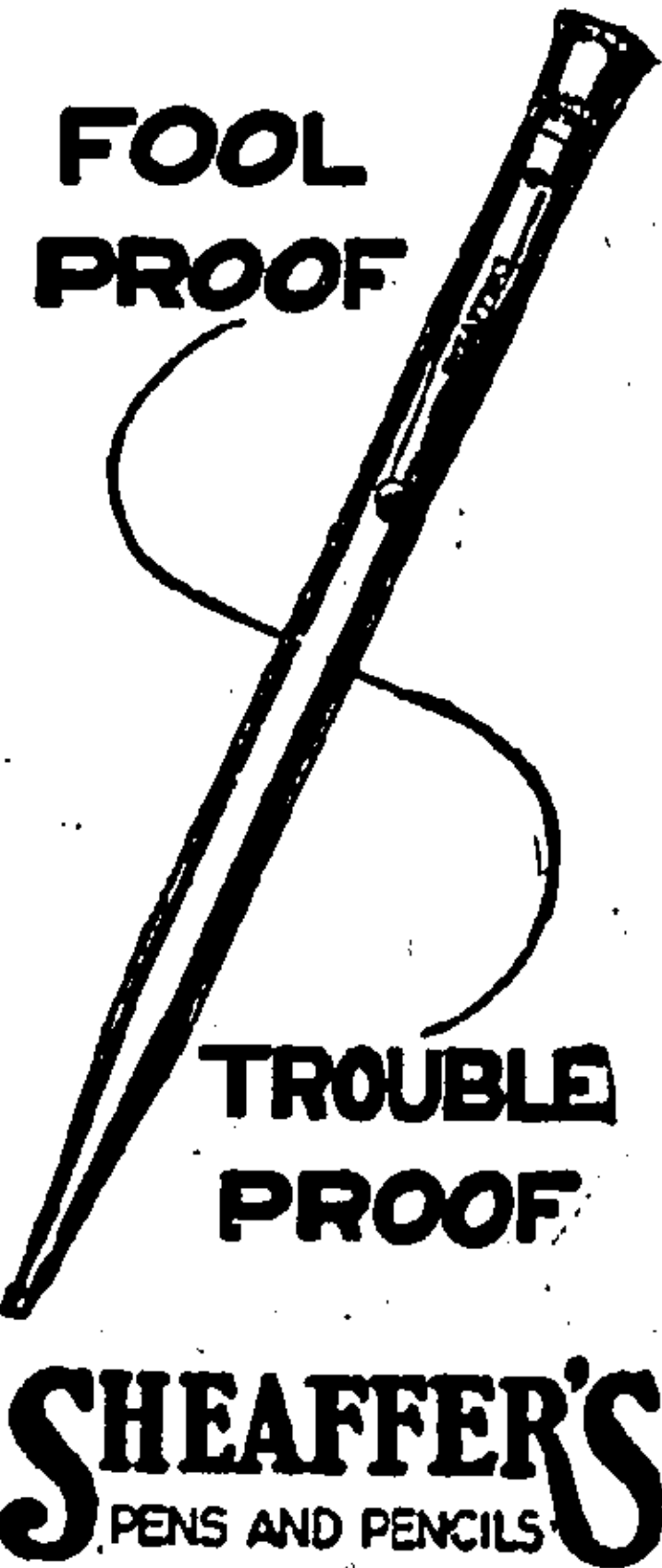
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CIVIL WAR EFFECTS

There was a good turn-out of members of the Royal Asiatic Society Shanghai recently, to hear a lecture by Mr. A. de C. Sowerby on the Causes of Famine in North China. The chair was taken by the Rev. F. L. Hawks Pott and there was a considerable amount of interesting discussion following the lecture.

In the course of his address, Mr. Sowerby said that a great deal had been heard about the north China famine recently and the causes that had conducted to this state of affairs. There was a good deal of divergence and the speaker defined the conclusions of two camps as to the contributory causes. One camp claimed that famine conditions were largely due to the effects of civil war and the uncontrolled ravages of soldiers and bandits, to lack of adequate railway and other transport, and the general indifference of the officials to the sufferings of the people. The other claimed that it was mainly the unfavourable climatic conditions prevailing over a more or less protracted period that had brought about the present deplorable state of affairs. As a matter of fact, while both camps were in a sense right, neither went far enough.

The Yellow River Basin

The speaker then made a general survey of north China and said here was a great stretch of country showing wide variation in the physical features that characterized it. He then went on to describe the country and the basin of the Yellow River with its innumerable tributaries which drained the whole of a vast area of yellow dusty country, gathering enormous quantities of silt and carrying it down to the plains where it was deposited. The larger tributaries were muddy and charged with silt, while the innumerable ravines for the most part showed intermittent streams. Even comparatively large river beds were dry as a bone for the greater part of the year.

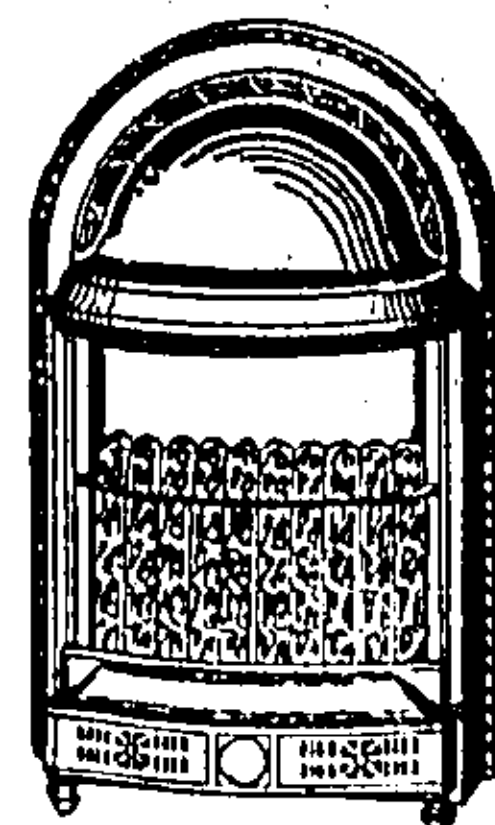
After dealing with the difference in the western part of the country and the south, the speaker said it had been asked "Why was there this difference?" and mentioned that the answer was that the climate differed. North of the Ching Ling Range the air was dry, so dry as at times to make one's very nerves tingle, while immediately to the south was the soft balminess of a genial moist climate.

The rainfall in north China was very much smaller than that in the south and even what rain did fall in the north mainly fell during a comparatively short period in the summer. After describing the floods, Mr. Sowerby mentioned that north China was dry, south China was moist. North China was periodically subject to protracted periods of drought, when there is no precipitation to speak of for a year, sometimes two, in extreme cases three years at a stretch. These periods might be interspersed with periods of phenomenal precipitation, when torrential rains occurred daily for several weeks at a time, yet this excess of moisture did little to help. On the contrary, it did actual harm and tended to aggravate famine conditions rather than ameliorate them.

Borderline of Starvation

The general aridity of the climate of north China coupled, with periods of droughts, naturally tended to render agriculture a somewhat precarious occupation. The speaker then went on to deal with the difficulties of the farmers and said that what with periods of drought and periods of floods, the farmers were kept perpetually close to the borderline of starvation; that was famine, and it took very little to push them over that line, such as civil war, the passage of armies and a few bandit raids. Added to this the fact that transport was inadequate, being slow and expensive, so that a stricken area, could not be reached except with great difficulty from some more favoured area where there was a surplus of grain and, it would readily be seen how easy it was for famine conditions to arise. Let these unfavourable factors be intensified and spread over a large area and they would see a very serious famine in full sway.

Mr. Sowerby laid his finger on the only possible and practical solution of the problem. North China had not always been as dry as it was now. That a very different climate and conditions prevailed in north China during the early period of Chinese occupation was evidenced by remains found in Honan. It was not a change to a dry climate that did away with the forests and other heavy vegetation, but it was the

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The story of how Canton was saved by a German from the invading Ironsides and the Kwangsi forces is told in the "OVERLAND CHINA MAIL," which gives all the other really important news from all parts of China.

The breaking up of the Schools for the Christmas Holidays was preceded by a spate of prize distributions, full lists of which are given in this issue of the "OVERLAND CHINA MAIL"—let your folk at Home know the progress of your children at school here.

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London, Dec. 25.
A message from Vigo states that a Norwegian trawler named the "Asland" has been sunk, the crew of 24 being drowned. The ship was on her way from Ireland when she foundered, vessels from Vigo making fruitless efforts to render assistance.—Reuter.

MARINE COURT

Boarding Boat Without Permission

At the Marine Court this morning, a Chinese was charged with boarding the s.s. "Van Heuts" without permission. Sgt. Galvin said that the accused was alleged to have stolen \$2.50 from a passenger, and when searched a draft

COASTAL SHIPPING

Latest Changes In Personnel

Captain J. Taylor, of the "Ningpo," is on reserve.
Captain R. Allinson, of the "Wanhien," has gone master, "Ningpo."
Mr. J. G. R. Gow, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Changchow."
Mr. A. S. Lewis, second officer, "Changchow," has gone second officer, "Chungking."
Mr. M. Dafty, second officer, "Chungking," is on reserve.
Mr. J. M. Hall, chief officer, "Kanchow," is on reserve.
Mr. W. Dickinson, chief officer, "Wanhien," has gone chief officer, "Kanchow."
Mr. J. H. McLaren, extra chief officer, "Teau," is on reserve.
Mr. F. S. Barron, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Sunning."
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Tyneside is regarded as the home of the shiprepairing industry, there being no docks owned by public bodies. There are some large docks in the South Shields area, but that district is so congested that almost insurmountable difficulties and large expenditure would have to be faced before any more large new docks could be provided there.

Fortunately, however, there are still suitable sites for large docks at other parts of the river, notably in the vicinity of Jarrow Slake, which holds promise of being considerably developed by the Tyne Improvement Commission, while the big oil depot and jetty erected by leading oil companies, at which large tankers are dealt with, has increased its importance. This place suggests itself as being suitable for one or more

Investigating Sinking Of "Wisconsin"



Arthur Dehl, second officer of the ill-fated s.s. "Wisconsin," is shown testifying at the Federal inquiry before Arthur Schutt, of the Steamship Inspection Service, and Fred J. Meno (right), Supervising Inspector. Dehl declared the "Wisconsin" could have been beached, obviating loss of both lives and ship.

for \$110 was also found on him. The draft was presumed to have been stolen. A fine of \$30, or in default, one month's hard labour was imposed.

No Permit

A mistress and a master of passenger boats were each fined \$3 for taking their craft into the Causeway Bay anchorage without a permit.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" left Shanghai for this port on December 25 at 3 p.m., and is due here on December 28 at 8 a.m.
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Shanghai on December 26 (Thurs.) at 2 p.m., left Shanghai on December 27 (Fri.) at 5:30 a.m., and is due at Hong Kong on December 29 (Sun.) at 11 a.m. She sails for Manila on December 28 (Sun.) at midnight.
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" from Hong Kong on December 18, left Yokohama on December 26 at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on January 4.

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NELLORE	6,853	7th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Yohama & Yama.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	10th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
TALMA	10,000	12th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	9,428	17th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yohama.
SHIRALA	7,841	18th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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President Hoover's administration is offering encouragement to young women seeking careers in the consular service as stepping stones to eventual graduation into the ranks of diplomacy. Two young women, Miss Nolle B. Stogdall, of South Bend, Indiana, and Miss Margaret Warner, of Lincoln, Massachusetts, have just received notice of their appointments to two of the most desirable consular positions.

Miss Stogdall will go to Beirut as vice-consul and Miss Warner will have a similar post at Geneva. Beirut, which, according to Arabic tradition, is on the original site of the Garden of Eden, has always been unusually attractive to Americans seeking consular appointments, because of its delightful climate and interest in the local customs.

The Geneva position is likewise looked upon as a prize because of the opportunities to study international affairs through the sessions of the League of Nations. As American consular appointments now provide a pathway to eventual entrance into the Diplomatic Corps, Miss Warner's future career will be especially watched by women.

Preferred to Men
Both girls had to take the usual examinations, with men applicants, for consular positions. They passed with high marks and then were assigned to the special training school at the State Department, after which their appointments to Beirut and Geneva were announced. Their selection, in preference to men, is due to a desire on the part of the Government to give women a chance to show what they can accomplish under the State Department.

How far women will be able to go in diplomacy is an unsolved question for Washington. The experience on which to base a judgment is meagre, at present. Women secretaries to diplomats are declared to be quite as good as men, in so far as routine work is concerned. But, when initiative is required, there are differences of opinion. Some hold the view that women are reluctant to act on their own authority and distrust their book knowledge, being hesitant about applying it in practical ways. Others say the natural caution and conservatism of women should stand them in good stead as diplomatic agents.

The marriage question, however, interferes with their interest in their careers, according to diplomats of experience.

Mr. Justice Clauson dismissed the test action in which four Civil Servants sought to test the validity of the Treasury minute making pensions variable, based on the fluctuations of the cost of living figure.

Brigadier-General Dobie informed the Commission of Inquiry in Jerusalem that he had not sufficient troops, and until August 23 he had never thought he could protect the Jewish colonies in the far north.

According to a committee of the Lower House of the Convocation of York the Patronage Measure before the Church Assembly is so unsatisfactory that it is incapable of amendment, and should be withdrawn.

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S'ow, Penang & Calcutta SUISANG		Fri, 17th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Fri, 30th Dec. at 3 p.m.
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An unusually large shark was caught in the vicinity of Penang harbour recently and landed on the beach of "Donnybrook" in Northam Road, according to the "Straits Echo."

The monster measured 14 feet and weighed in the neighbourhood of 400 lb. The girth of the fish was so big that it could not be manipulated through the gateway of the Municipal landing place and had to be landed finally through Mr. Lim Cheng-kung's house, the services of six men being required for the purpose.

It filled up the whole hand cart, its tail trailing along the road on the way to Chowresta Market.

The shark was apparently one of a school that was observed sporting in the harbour by fishermen. Its presence must have been known, since the beach at "Donnybrook," which is used as a favourite bathing place by school-boys has been clear of bathers.

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Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson, Ltd., have just despatched from their Wallsend shipyard a floating dock built to the order of the Falkland Island Co., Ltd., of London, under the superintendence of Mr. W. Gordon Glover.

The dock is of the well-known sectional pontoon type. It was completely erected at the Wallsend shipyard and then dismantled, all the material being loaded on board ship for export to Port Stanley, in East Falkland Island, where it will be re-erected and put into commission. The over-all length of the dock is 180ft., and the inside width is 45ft. Its lifting capacity is 600 tons, taking ships of a maximum draft of 9ft.

The main pumping machinery consists of two similar sets of centrifugal pumps, each driven by a semi-diesel engine through bevel gear and shafting. The pumps are each connected with a common drain and together they can lift a ship within one hour. Electric lighting will be installed throughout the dock. In each wall of the dock is a pair of mechanical side-shores, and roller fenders are fitted at each end of the walls.

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The times and heights are given for Kowloon; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

December 27 to January 2, 1930.

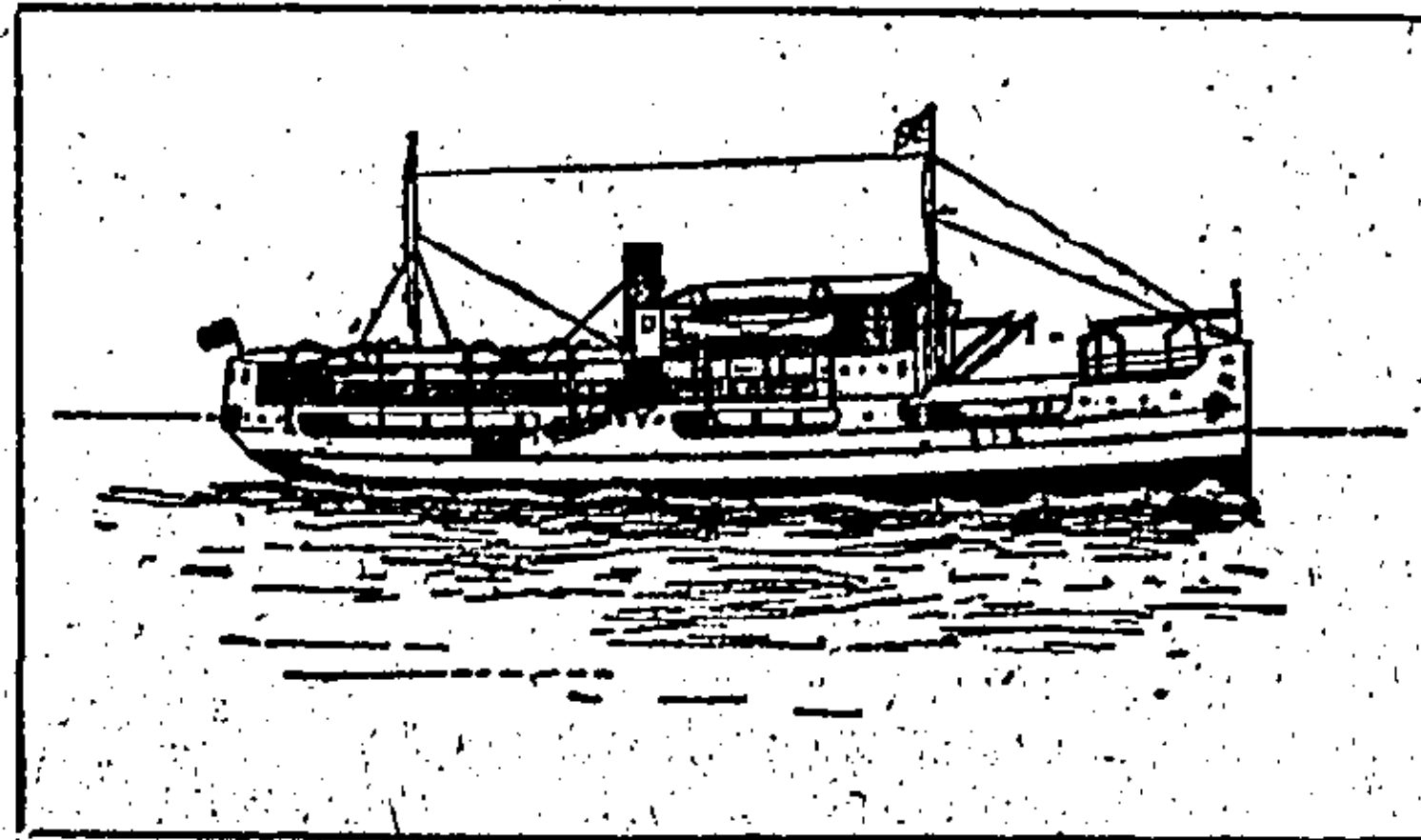
Dec.	HIGH WATER		LOWER WATER	
DATE	Standard Times	Ht.	Standard Times	Ht.
Fri. 27	m 7 41	4.3	m 1 42	2.5
	7 11	6.7	0 39	3.3
Sat. 28	m 8 45	4.4	m 2 59	1.9
	7 40	7.1	1 4	3.4
Sun. 29	m 9 46	4.3	m 3 10	1.5
	8 10	7.4	1 38	3.5
Mon. 30	m 10 39	4.3	m 3 48	1.1
	8 41	7.3	2 9	3.6
Tues. 31	m 11 28	4.3	m 4 26	0.9
	9 13	7.7	3 42	3.6
Wed. 1	0 12	6.1	m 5 1	0.8
	9 44	7.7	3 13	3.7
Thurs. 2	0 52	4.0	m 5 37	0.8
	10 15	7.6	3 41	3.8

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GENERALS KILLED IN CIVIL WAR

VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF DIES AFTER HOSPITAL TREATMENT
ANOTHER OFFENSIVE

Nanking, Yesterday. The Political Administration of the 8th Army Route was yesterday in receipt of a telegram from the advance H.Q. at Wuchow, stating that during the engagement at Kwan-tin, the casualties suffered by the Kwangsi commanders are now known, as follows:

General Liang Chao-chi was killed and the coffin transported to Wuchow.
General Hau Chung-wu was seriously wounded and reported dead at Kwongli, his remains being carried back to Wuchow and buried at Sam-kok-tsu.
Vice C.-I.-C. Wang Shao-hung was badly hurt in the stomach and medically treated in the Stout Memorial Hospital. Before the arrival of the Canton forces at Wuchow, he was taken to Kweiping, where he died on Dec. 18.

General Li Retires

General Li Chung-yen, leading the remnants of his troops, retired to Hohsien, while being pursued by the Canton forces of the 59th and 63rd Divisions under Generals Yu Hon-mou and Li Yang-king, who have continued their march towards Hoi-kin, Pumon and Kwan-tan, with Hohsien as their objective.

General Chan Tan-tong called a military conference at Wuchow which decided to launch a general attack on Kweiping, as the first step, and then on Liuchow and Nanning. As soon as the necessary plans to combine with Yunnan and Hunan loyal troops have been completed, another offensive against the Kwangsi insurgents will be opened.

General Choi Ting-kai of the 60th Division, the first to capture Wuchow, took the plane "Hankow" to Canton yesterday, to report to Chairman Chan Min-shu on the latest military conditions at Wuchow.

China Train Services

Nanking, Yesterday. The military train has commenced to operate between Peng-pu and Hsuehchow. The passenger train will run once a day, beginning tomorrow.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Since General Shih Yu-san pledged his loyalty to the Central Government, the damaged tracks on the section from Peng-pu to Ming-Kwong on the Tientsin-Pukow line are now being repaired. The traffic on that line should be restored by December 28, according to information from the Railway Administration.—Canton News Agency.

FOREIGN TROOPS IN CHINA

DR. WANG & THE REDUCTION OF AMERICAN FORCES IN PEKING
THE C.E.R. DISPUTE

Nanking, Dec. 23.

At the Weekly Memorial Service, Dr. C. T. Wang, the Foreign Minister, stated that President Hoover having recommended the reduction of the United States troops in China to the Legation Guard strength, other Powers are expected to withdraw garrisons along the Peking Railway, since there is no reason to maintain troops in North China now that the National Government has removed to Nanking.

The Sino-Russian preliminary meeting is powerless to discuss any issue except the time and place for a formal conference. The report that important issues are decided there and that the formal confabulation is only to sign an agreement, is incorrect.

U.S. Minister

Minister Dr. C. C. Wu, reports that the new United States Minister to China, Mr. Nelson Johnson, is leaving on January 11 on the "President Grant" for Peking, via Japan, before presenting his credentials at Nanking.

Minister To France

Mr. Kaoli, the Chinese Minister at Paris, reports that the Bulgarian Government has instructed its Minister in Paris to forward notes to China and Russia, urging a peaceful settlement of the dispute. The 11th meeting of the Shanghai Court Reorganization Conference was held last night at 8 o'clock. This afternoon, no instructions from the government have been received. The conference will meet again tomorrow afternoon.

The military review on New Year's day is cancelled, as it is feared that it is impossible to have the necessary number of troops for the ceremony.

VILMA BANKY'S GREAT ROLE

DIFFICULTIES OF IMMIGRANT GIRL COMEDY & PATHOS
"THIS IS HEAVEN"

Celebrating her newly acquired American citizenship by appearing for the first time as an every-day American girl, Vilma Banky opened at the Queen's Theatre on Wednesday as the star of "This is Heaven," her second individual starring picture for Samuel Goldwyn. The difficulties of a Hungarian immigrant girl learning to accustom herself to the new and strange life she finds in New York made up the body of the story, which gives her ample opportunity for both comedy and pathos.

First seen as a frightened little peasant, muffled in countless petticoats and shawls, then in a neat waitress uniform as she slips hot cakes in a restaurant window, Miss Banky shows a new side of her acting ability to her public in "This is Heaven." James Hall, one of the most prominent leading men in Hollywood, Fritz Ridgeway and Lucien Littlefield are prominent in the supporting cast.

The plot, built about the complication of having the little waitress fall in love with a rich young man, believing him to be a chauffeur, gives Miss Banky an opportunity to develop the talent for comedy which was widely commented on as being evident in "The Awakening," her last picture. Almost a month was spent by the entire Goldwyn producing staff in New York last fall filming the exterior scenes in authentic localities in the Bronx, on Fifth Avenue and Ellis Island.

"The Black Watch" Victor McLaglen, appearing in his first talking picture on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre, finds himself portraying the role of an adventurer whose experiences are more or less paralleled by his own life. Victor, born in South Africa, saw service in six wars, was a professional wrestler, fighter, a gold miner in Australia, and a cow puncher as well. In "The Black Watch" he delineates a British officer who is a member of the secret service in India, in which country McLaglen spent many years.

JOHN GILBERT AS A STRONG HE-MAN

THE THRILLS & SUSPENSES OF "DESERT NIGHTS"

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John Gilbert, masked in a heavy beard and wearing one of the most unusual, yet comfortable, garbs of his many adventures on the screen, is the attraction at the Star Theatre, where he is appearing in his latest Goldwyn-Mayer feature, "Desert Nights." Portraying the role of manager of a South African diamond mine, who is taken prisoner along with a fortune of gems, he depicts one of the most interesting and tensely dramatic characterizations of his career. The story is one of a terrible revenge, laid in the primitive wastes of a vast and torrid African desert, in which Gilbert is a dominating figure, first as a prisoner and then as a saviour of the girl and her bogus father, who are responsible for his and their plight.

Daring Gem Robbery

The daring gem robbery is one of the most sensational parts of the production which is all pitched in a highly dramatic key. The grime of a dirty diamond mine, manned by hundreds of dark-skinned natives, and the dazzling whiteness of miles of countless sand dunes form a spectacular and bizarre background for a revenge which is satiated only by the intense suffering of those about to die for want of water. Baked by the sun and torn with a mad craving for a liquid to quench her thirst, a beautiful girl offers her soul for just a few drops of water.

HAROLD LLOYD

"In 'Speedy' At The Majestic"

Just when everyone is beginning to think there is nothing new in comedy, Harold Lloyd pops up with a new picture, and explodes the idea. He does it with a bang with his latest "mirthquake," "Speedy," in which he gives one of his best characterizations, as well as providing bigger and better laughs than we have had since he landed "The Kid Brother." The new comedy is now showing at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, and is released by Paramount.

"Speedy" is a straight comedy, with the usual amount of romance and an even greater amount of thrills than Lloyd has given since "Safety Last." There is a little something for every one in "Speedy" for its variety of comedy runs through almost the entire show.

FATE OF INDIA IN THE BALANCE

FULL INDEPENDENCE ASKED FOR BY NATIONAL CONGRESS
THREATENING ATTITUDE

Lahore, Yesterday. Fateful decisions for the future of India, and its position in the British Commonwealth, are expected at the annual Indian National Congress opening on Sunday.

The Committee work has already begun, nearly 3,000 delegates having gathered from all over India. The main discussions will revolve upon resolutions drafted by Gandhi and Motilal Nehru. These condemn the bombing of the Viceroy's train on Xmas Eve. Also, they withdraw Congress from commitment to the Nehru Report of last year (which embodied a draft constitution for India on Dominion status lines, and evoked great hostility, particularly among the Indian Moslems).

The resolutions go on to define Swaraj as the complete independence of India, and to request all Congressmen to withdraw from, and boycott, the Legislature.

Civil Disobedience

It is also asked that the All-India Congress Committee be authorized to launch a campaign for non-payment of taxes, and to empower civil disobedience, where and when such action is deemed necessary.

This programme means that a reversion to an earlier one is likely to be adopted, despite the opposition of members of the Legislature, and the fact might lead to further successions from Congress of those who favour participation in the Legislative Council debates for the purposes of offering obstruction.

The position of Mr. Patel, President of the Legislative Assembly, would be most critical, as he would have to resign that post.

Gandhi on the other hand, is averse to adopting any militant programme, which the younger section of Congress are urging, though he yields to their demands by asking Congress to define Swaraj as "complete independence."—Reuters.

Gandhi's Resolution

Lahore, Later.

The Congress Executive Committee has decided that Gandhi's resolution defining the Swaraj as "complete independence," when submitted to Congress to-day, will begin by expressing appreciation of the efforts of the Viceroy towards a peaceful settlement, but regretting that Congress is unable in the present circumstances to be represented at the proposed round table conference. The Committee discussed the resolution for four hours. No delegate opposed the boycott of the Legislative Councils, but some urged the boycott to include the law courts and schools. Dr. Ansari and Miss Naidu suggested that the door should not be closed to further negotiations, to which Gandhi replied that even in the case of the very militant Irish programme the door was not closed, and in all political warfare the opponents could always meet at the peace table.—Reuters.

WHITE HOUSE FIRE

Damage of G.\$60,000 To Executive Offices

Washington, Dec. 25.

Exciting scenes occurred at the White House to-day when a serious fire broke out in the Presidential Executive Offices attached to the residence of the President and blazed for two hours before the strenuous efforts of the full resources of the Washington Fire Brigade put an end to the danger. The Executive Offices were completely destroyed and the damage is estimated at \$60,000.

President Hoover's private papers were rescued from the flames, but many important records were destroyed. The White House proper, to which the Chief Executive's offices are attached by a passage way, were not damaged in any way, the Brigade isolating the fire without great difficulty.

The Offices burned furiously for two hours before the flames were overcome. At the moment, no statement has been made regarding the possible origin of the blaze.—Reuters American Service.

Cause of the Fire

Washington, Later. The fire in the executive offices of the White House is attributed to the operation of a defective fuse. President Hoover has decided to use as his office the room in White House where Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation.—Reuters American Service.

Through the story has a modern setting, Lloyd provides the same thrill and excitement as in his previous work.

TRAMWAY FITTER'S OFFENCE

CONVICTED OF RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY
THREE MONTHS' JAIL

Li Tung (20), described as a fitter assistant employed by the Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., was to-day charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with the theft of a calculating machine worth \$838, the property of his employers.

The accused denied theft but admitted that he had received the machine from another man, but did not know what the latter was going to do with it. He was merely asked to look after the machine for a while and agreed to do so.

The Police accepted the plea and the Magistrate accordingly convicted accused of receiving stolen property.

Mr. W. F. Simmons, Secretary of the Tramways Company, stated that the machine was stolen during the night of December 17 from the General Office.

The Police stated that the accused had been employed by the Company for about three years and his father also worked there.

Mr. Hamilton passed sentence of four months' hard labour, but on second thoughts re-called the accused and told him that he had decided to deal with him differently because he had admitted receiving and made a clean breast of it instead of telling a lot of lies. In view of that and the fact that accused was only 20 years of age, he would let him off with three months.



The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 355 and 49 metres:—

5-5.30 p.m.—Programme of Columbia Records by courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Co. "Die Fledermaus"—Selection (The Bat), Part 1 & 2, (Johann Strauss), Johann Strauss & Symphony Orchestra. "In a Persian Market"—Part 1 & 2 (Albert W. Ketelbey), Albert W. Ketelbey's Concert Orchestra. "Danger of Seville (C. Grunow), "The Two Imps" (C. J. Alfard), Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra. "Les Millions D'Arlequin"—Serenade (Drigo-Auer), Violin Solo by Erem Zimbalist with Piano. "Ave Maria" (Schubert-Wilhelm), 5.30-6 p.m.—Children's Programme.

Aunt Joan, Uncle Dick and Uncle Jeff will entertain the kiddies. 6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme. 7.48 p.m.—Weather Report. 9 p.m.—Programme of Columbia Records by courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

"Hit the Deck"—Selection, Part 1 & 2 (Vincent Youmans), London Hippodrome Orchestra. "Passing By" (Herrick & Purcell), "The Yeoman's Wedding Song" (M. K. Hayes & Prince Poniatowski), Rex Palmer, Baritone.

"By the Blue Hawaiian Waters"—Tone Picture, Part 1.

(a) Introduction; (b) The "Hula" Dance; (c) The "Kamala" Lover Appears; Part 2.

(a) The Song of the "Hula" Girl; (b) Dance of the Betrothal Ceremony, (Albert W. Ketelbey), Albert W. Ketelbey's Concert Orchestra.

"Evensong" (Easthope Martin), "The Storm" (G. T. Pattman), Organ Solo by G. T. Pattman (Compton Organ).

"Aida"—Selection, Part 1 & 2 (Verdi, arr. Tavan), New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra.

"In Springtime" (Shakespeare & Newton), "At Love's Beginning" (Campbell & Lehmann), Duet: Dora Labette and Norman Allan with Piano.

"La Boheme"—Selection, Part 1 & 2 (Puccini, arr. Gauwin), New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra.

"The Old Orange Flute" (Traditional, collected by E. R. Hayward), Richard Hayward, Baritone, With Piano.

"La Tosca"—Selection, Part 1 & 2 (Puccini, arr. Tavan), New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra.

"Come Into the Garden—Maud" (Killmerby) (Ballad, arr. Saff), J. H. Squire, Clarinet Solo.

"Bitter Sweet"—Selection, Part 1 & 2 (Noel Coward), Ray Starke and His Ambassadors Band.

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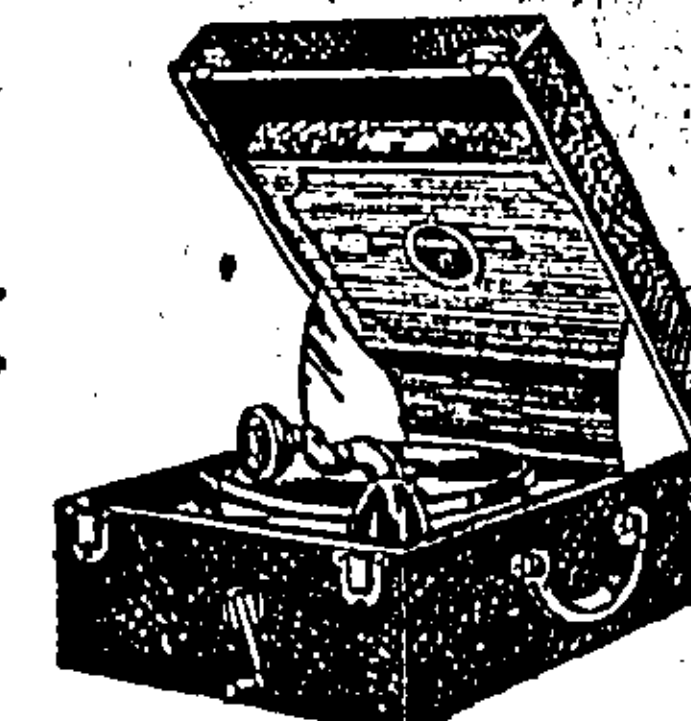
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Sport Columns

CHAT ON LOCAL FOOTBALL

A LESSON FOR CHINESE ATHLETIC

INTERPORT PROSPECTS

Comment On the Week's Games

(By "Roamer")

Can we reasonably expect our Interport Soccer Eleven to return from Shanghai with the Cup? Much as it goes against the grain I am afraid our chances are very remote. In the first place these encounters have established a tradition that calls for a super team to break, and secondly can we produce such a team this season to overcome their opponents and bring about a change?

Since the resumption in 1923, of this annual competition Hong Kong's three visits have all resulted in failures (1924 beaten 1-0 after a 3-3 draw; lost 5-4 in 1926; and severely thrashed in 1928 to the tune of 7-0). The H.K.F.A. Council, when finally selecting their eleven have a very tricky task before them, especially as the rules of the competition preclude players who are members of crews of seagoing ships. The eleven representatives have not yet been definitely chosen but it is understood that from the fifteen now noted the final selections will be made.

Trials Disappointing

With the trial runs we have been very disappointed more especially last Saturday's display against the Navy. Admittedly in this encounter the Senior Service adopted the correct policy of their backs and halves clinging like leeches to the Selected's front line but little initiative was displayed by them in extricating themselves. Early promise was offered when McKelvie netted in the first five minutes, but little progress could be made after in spite of West's efforts to open out. Bewley-Bull made a good effort when being worried to have his shot smothered by Jarvis but little chance was given him and his partner Butcher after. A. Ward failed to snap up a splendid chance sent in by Butcher through being too slow. McKelvie was certainly very dangerous with his runs but his finishing was weak.

The Navy were on their toes throughout and affected some good maneuvering to catch the Selected's defence napping. Quite a different story may, however, be told when they pit their strength against Shanghai's chosen in the near future, so let us hope for the best and not express surprise if Hong Kong are defeated.

Athletic v. Gunners

In the only Senior League match played, the Athletic sent the Gunners away pointless. A good game was witnessed by a few supporters but non-observance of the laws of football by the Athletic forwards led to goals being disallowed. If attackers would only realise that the goal area has a definite purpose, these decisions would not occur.

A goal-keeper being, as he is, at the mercy of attackers must be protected and when within that area he must not be interfered with in any way unless he has possession of the ball. When in the act of holding the ball he may be charged fairly but the play must in no way be dangerous. Players do, at times, when in close proximity of their opponents' goal become excited, but why allow hard work to be ruined by such instances as these? A bare margin victory was recorded by the Athletic, but it might have been defeat if the Gunners had snapped up a couple of good scoring chances they missed. It is to be hoped that their experience of last Saturday

will be a lesson to players who delight in rushing the goalkeeper.

With The Juniors

A further fixture was not decided last Saturday, the R.A.M.C. again failing to put in an appearance, but one of the back numbers was played off, the Navy overwhelming the University to the extent of seven without response. The remaining five games went more or less as expected.

The K.O.S.B. put up a splendid show against Chinese "B" and fully deserved their four-nil victory. S. China found St. Joseph's at their best and one goal decided the points. In a very even game the Club were a trifle unlucky in not sharing the spoils with the R.A. Two Penalty goals decided the issue of the Kowloon-Eastern game, a point going to each side. The Recreation Ewo encounter was very evenly contested, the former continuing their series of draws, and Ewo are still without their first victory.

To-morrow's Battles

Of the five Senior games staged for to-morrow, three should prove to be good struggles. It is difficult to place them in order of merit but as an attempt should be made I will predict Caroline Hill as being the greater game to watch. S. China and the Navy settle their differences.

S. China will find the Navy a hard nut to crack especially after the latter's crushing victory over the Interport Selected XI last week, but the Senior Service eleven must realise that they have a keen goalkeeper in Pau Ka-ping to beat.

Next comes the Kowloon versus Athletic game on the Kowloon F.C. Ground, and although Kowloon have ground advantage they are in for a warm time if the Athletic eleven are up to full strength.

The third is also on the peninsula, King's Park being the appointed place for the Recreation and St. Joseph's to battle for the points. If both sides go all out for the seventy minutes a draw, or the side that can net the odd goal, is the likely issue.

The K.O.S.B. should not experience any difficulty in accounting for the R.A. If the Police are to record a victory this season they must take full advantage of their opportunities in their encounter with the Club to-morrow.

Second Division Selections

Of the Juniors, K.O.S.B. should increase their total points to 40 at the expense of Kowloon, South China "B" gaining a small margin victory over Recreation, St. Joseph's should find Chinese "A" a little too strong to hold, while the Club and University are likely to share the spoils. South China "A" will have to look to their laurels to keep their unbeaten record intact and not allow the R.A. to catch them unaware by underestimating their opponents' footcraft as the Gunners are capable of playing well in uphill fights. I am afraid Ewo will find Eastern too strong to hope for their first taste of victory.

Full Programmes

Tables to date are appended:—

Division I (3.45 p.m.)

South China v. Navy, Caroline Hill.
Recreation v. St. Joseph's, King's Park, Kowloon.
Kowloon v. Athletic, Kowloon F.C. Ground.
Police v. Club, St. Joseph's Ground, Happy Valley.
R.A. v. K.O.S.B., Sookumpoo.
Division II (2.30 p.m.)
Eastern v. Ewo, Chinese Ground, Happy Valley.
Recreation v. South China "B", King's Park, Kowloon.
Club v. University, Club Ground, Happy Valley.
St. Joseph's v. Chinese "A", St. Joseph's Ground, Happy Valley.
R.A. v. South China "A", Sookumpoo.
Kowloon v. K.O.S.B., Kowloon F.C. Ground.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

Division I				
P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.
Somersets	9	7	1	19
Athletic	9	4	2	19
K.O.S.B.	11	5	2	17
Navy	9	5	2	19
South China	8	5	1	18
Kowloon	8	3	3	11
R.A.	10	3	1	18
Recreation	10	1	5	15
Club	8	1	2	5
St. Joseph's	9	2	0	7
Police	9	0	1	8

Division II				
P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.
K.O.S.B.	22	19	0	30
S. China "A"	12	11	0	40
Navy	14	9	3	47
Somersets	10	8	3	37
Chinese "A"	10	8	1	39
R.A.	16	6	3	21
St. Joseph's	13	5	2	30
Eastern	11	4	2	19
Chinese "B"	12	4	2	19
Kowloon	12	3	5	18
S. China "B"	11	3	1	18
Recreation	12	1	5	12
University	10	2	1	10
R.A.M.C.	15	1	2	13
Club	10	1	0	7
St. Joseph's	11	1	2	7

The table for Division II includes points awarded against teams failing to fulfil their fixtures as follows:—

South China 2 points against R.A.M.C. for 16-11-29.
R.A. 2 points against R.A.M.C. for 20-11-29.
R.A. 2 points against St. Joseph's for 18-12-29.
Somerset's 2 points against Recreation for 18-12-29.

HOME FOOTBALL

LEAGUE TABLES

Division I				
P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.
M'chester C.	21	13	4	51
Wednesday	20	13	3	42
Derby	22	12	4	46
Aston Villa	22	12	3	48
Leeds	22	11	2	41
Middlesbrough	22	11	2	41
Leicester	22	10	4	48
Liverpool	22	10	4	34
Arsenal	22	9	3	38
West Ham	22	8	5	44
Sheffield U.	22	8	5	44
Bolton	22	8	5	30
Burnley	22	8	5	30
Huddersfield	22	9	4	35
Birmingham	22	7	5	37
Blackburn	22	7	5	40
M'chester U.	22	9	3	30
Everton	22	5	10	34
Portsmouth	22	5	10	34
Fortmouth	22	5	10	34
Newcastle	22	6	11	43
Sunderland	22	6	11	30
Grimsby	22	5	12	33

Division II				
P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.
Blackpool	21	15	2	58
Oldham	21	13	5	51
Sheff. Wed.	21	11	5	41
Wolves	22	10	5	41
Bury	22	11	7	47
Bradford	22	10	5	42
Cardiff	22	10	4	33
Southampton	22	10	4	46
Hull	22	9	4	32
Charlton	22	8	7	34
Nottingham	22	8	7	32
West Brom.	22	9	4	35
Stoke	22	8	6	43
Tottenham	22	7	6	28
Bradford C.	22	6	7	34
Reading	22	6	8	25
Millwall	22	6	9	34
Nottingham	22	4	10	30
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Preston N.E.	22	7	11	34
Bristol C.	22	7	11	36
Barnsley	22	5	11	27
Swansea	22	4	12	20

Division III (South)				
P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.
Plymouth	20	13	0	51
Brentford	20	18	3	45
Brighton	20	12	4	47
Bournemouth	19	7	8	27
Northampton	20	12	3	33
Coventry	20	10	3	45
Southend	20	8	7	32
Exeter	20	9	4	36
Crystal Pal.	20	6	8	43
Swindon	22	7	8	37
Norwich	20	8	4	40
Valhall	21	7	5	39
Queen's P.R.	19	6	5	25
Luton	20	6	8	33
Exeter	20	5	8	34
Watford	20	5	10	24
Clapton O.	20	3	10	7
Newport	20	5	11	35
Torquay	21	5	10	38
Bristol R.	19	5	10	38
Gillingham	21	4	13	18
Merthyr	19	2	6	11

Division III (North)				
P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.
Port Vale	21	15	3	53
Stockport	18	13	3	51
Crowe	19	11	2	44
Darlington	21	11	2	48
Accrington	20	10	4	44
Southport	20	10	2	50
South Shields	20	7	6	43
Nelson	20	9	3	31
Lincoln	20	5	10	29
Wigan	20	8	4	38
Rochdale	18	8	3	41
St. Shields	20	7	5	30
Wrexham	20	4	11	29
Tranmere	20	7	4	39
Chesterfield	19	7	4	30
Hartlepool	18	6	6	33
Doncaster	21	7	3	31
Halifax	22	5	6	27
Wetherby	21	5	6	10
Rotherham	19	4	5	29
N. Brighton	20	6	13	23
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Scottish League

P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.
Aberdeen	21	14	4	51
Rangers	19	14	3	48
North	20	12	3	44
Westham	20	12	3	48
Celtic	19	12	3	48
Partick	21	12	3	40
Kilmarnock	20	9	6	38
Hearts	20	9	6	42
St. Mirren	20	10	2	40
Greenock	20	8	9	40
Falkirk	20	7	5	34
Dundee	21	7	4	26
Hamilton	20	6	5	44
Cowdenbeath	19	7	8	27
Olyde	20	6	5	36
Morton	20	5	11	37
Dundee U.	20	5	11	37
Queen's Pk.	21	6	2	31
Hibernians	20	4	10	23
Airdrie	20	6	2	25
St. Johnstone	21	3	5	13

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Navy's Good Chances Against Club To-morrow

The first of the matches in the triangular tournament will be played to-morrow, at Happy Valley, when the Club meet the Navy.

Taking a line through the Club v. "Cornwall" match the Navy appear to have a good chance of winning. They are being represented by a very strong side, built round a nucleus of the "Cornwall" team of whom no less than nine have been chosen.

Reshuffling of Outstides

The Club on the other hand, will not have such a strong side as last week. Scott and Riddell are unable to turn out, and Ross is still unfit, which necessitates a reshuffling of the outstides.

The Club's side is as follows:—

R. J. Grieve; I. Goldsman; C. P. Lammert; J. D. H. Hutchison; H. V. Koop; G. A. Plummer; J. L. Bonnar; D. A. Milne Day; A. D. Suttill; W. F. Peers; F. R. Burch; E. R. West; B. P. Massey; J. A. E. Kendrew; B. L. Stock. Referee, Capt. Deakin. Kick-off 4.15 p.m.

AUTHOR'S LOSS

Mr. Oppenheim Drops £30 On Xmas Eve

Col. Wyatt reported to the Police yesterday, on behalf of Mr. Philip Oppenheim, the author, who is a passenger on the cruise yacht "Stella Polaris," that while walking in Fadder Street on the afternoon of Christmas Eve, Mr. Oppenheim lost from his pocket an unaddressed envelope containing £30 in English notes.

THE SHARE MARKET

Dividends On Tin And Rubbers

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been advised of the following dividends on Rubber and Mining shares:—
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"SUNDAY HERALD" CUP

ENGLAND V. SCOTLAND IN FOOTBALL TUSSELE

THE THISTLE WINS

The second International Football match for the "Sunday Herald" Cup was played yesterday at Happy Valley before a large crowd of spectators, the contestants being England and Scotland. The teams lined out as under:—

England:—Jarvis; Wynne and Jones; Hedley, West and Bliss; Van Tromp, Firth, Goldman, Gould and Dickinson.

Scotland:—G. Rodger; McGregor and Gardner; Gear, McKelvie and Torrie; Alexander, Gilchrist, Toal, Dr. Valentine and Craig.

Referee: Cpl. Evans; R.M.

England in Difficulties

The toss of the coin was in favour of the Thistles, and England fought the first half of the battle with the sun against them. A short while after the kick-off, Alexander took the ball down to the wing, who shot into Jarvis' hand. The ball was sent back to Craig, who centred beautifully to Dr. Valentine.

Making no mistake this time, the doctor sent the ball straight into the net with a cross shot, thus drawing first blood for Scotland.

Nothing daunted, England pulled together and launched out a determined attack. Scotland at this stage had their hands full in defending their citadel. In this work McKelvie and McGregor were particularly brilliant and were responsible in warding off several shots which looked like a certainty.

Scotland's Defence

BRITISH INTERESTS IN CHINA

TRADE INCREASING IN SPITE OF WAR

ASSOCIATION'S DINNER

London, Nov. 22.

Prince George was the principal speaker at the annual dinner of the China Association, held at the Hotel Victoria. Lord Southborough, the president, occupied the chair.

Proposing the toast of the China Association, Prince George said:—

It is my privilege to propose the toast of a great and important body, representing British and Chinese trade here and in the Far East, including those vast undertakings upon which commerce so much depends—the railways and shipping. For many years—some 40, I believe—you have played a very important part in cultivating those great commercial interests which have brought friendship, wealth, and employment to several generations of our people. Your organisation has been remarkable for England and China are far apart, and the administration of such a vast business—watching markets, anticipating the demands of customers, and ensuring the delivery of all kinds of goods in a distant land, must have called for great administrative capacity. I do not say exceptional capacity, as what you have accomplished in the past has been just the kind of adventurer's business for which we, as a nation, are so eminently suited. (Cheers.)

Needless to say, when confronted with heavy obligations, you have been fortunate in producing some remarkable men to deal with them, not merely men of business, but students of life and character particularly suited to deal with the complicated affairs of the Far East.

British Leaders in China

In other words, the opportunity has always found the man. Sir Thomas Wade, for instance, who was President in 1890-91, a great Chinese scholar of whom it is said that there are naval and consular officers still struggling with his text-book on China, even to this day. Sir Robert Jardine was another—

the name of Jardine has been a household word in China from the earliest days of our commercial relations with her, and Sir Thomas Sutherland was closely associated with those mysterious letters—"P. and O." What recollections, sensations, even romances, do these two letters bring to most of us. Then in the War came Mr. George Jamieson, and, after him, Lord Inchcape. Mr. Frederick Anderson and Sir John Jordan, the last a distinguished representative of Great Britain in China—a master of diplomacy, a man for whom, I believe, the Chinese entertained a special regard.

My appearance here to-night as your guest is due no doubt in part to my desire to become better acquainted with the origin and distribution of trade, which goes to enrich the Empire, and to make the acquaintance of men who shoulder heavy responsibilities which, in good and evil times, are necessary to keep our ship of commerce afloat.

Memories of the Yangtze

Both as an officer who has served in the Royal Navy and a civilian I am anxious, in these difficult days, to follow the questions of Empire trade generally. Apart from this, I am particularly glad to meet the members of the China Association, because I have recently been in Chinese waters when serving in H.M.S. "Hawkins" between 1925 and 1927. (Cheers.) I then had the opportunity of visiting most of the ports along the coast and up the Yangtze as far as Chungking. In consequence I am able to follow, with great interest and a little understanding, all those issues of which we hear so much in these days.

I can assure you that I was very much impressed with all I saw of that wonderful country, and I appreciate the anxious care with which your Association has nurtured and fostered the China trade. What is more, I do not desire to confine my good wishes to our own people—I earnestly hope for a return to prosperity, and to a happy condition which will make for the prosperity of China as well as ourselves.

Surprising Customs Figures

Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell, in reply, said that in spite of all the adverse circumstances the Shanghai Customs returns on the old 5 per cent.

basis showed for the eight months ending August 31, 1929, an increase of 3,500,000 Halkwan Taels, or over 17 per cent. as compared with the same period last year, which was a "record" year. Imports showed an increase of over 19 per cent. and exports an increase of nearly 13 per cent.

There could be no doubt that the China market was an expanding one and that it offered increasing opportunities. During the past 10 years China's total import of most of the commodities in which the United Kingdom was chiefly interested had increased greatly. Iron and steel had doubled, woolen goods and tobacco had increased five-fold. Piece-goods, it was true, showed a falling off, but on the other hand China's demand for other types of Western goods was becoming more and more diversified. On the whole there was good reason for taking a hopeful view of the United Kingdom's commercial prospects in China, but a very great deal, of course, depended on price. We were being beaten in some directions by Japan and America, as well as by the Continent. In his opinion our distributing organisations in China were superior to that of any other Western nation and from his experience he knew that the most skillful and alluring salesmanship could not prevail to-day against price.

A CHINESE BLUF

Malacca, Dec. 14.

The young Straits-born Chinese wearing European clothes who was first produced before a Penang Court was brought to Malacca and charged before Mr. C. W. Dawson with cheating the Ong Dispensary of a camera. The accused pleaded guilty and the case was postponed to the 17th inst.

The accused, who came to Malacca in great style, managed to be received by many well-known Straits-born Chinese of Malacca and was even given a dinner by the elite of the Straits-born Chinese and on the eve of his departure went to the Ong Dispensary and obtained a camera from one of the salesmen of the dispensary, Mr. Yan Kee Leong. The accused pretended to be a high Government official in China.

A NEW TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

THE POSSIBILITIES OF THE HELICOPTRE

VERTICAL ASCENT

A further attempt to produce an aircraft capable of rising and descending vertically, of remaining stationary in the air, and of flying in a horizontal path, has now been made by Mr. V. Isacco, who described the principles of his machine, to which he has applied the name "Helicoptre," in a paper read before the Royal Aeronautical Society.

The Helicoptre bears a strong resemblance to the Cierva autogyro, but differs from it in that, in the former, mechanical means are provided for rotating the horizontal, or lifting, airscrew, while in the autogyro the horizontal airscrew is kept in rotation by the action of the air. The method of driving the horizontal airscrew in the Helicoptre is to mount a small two-cylinder engine, fitted with a tractor airscrew, on the tip of each blade of the main horizontal airscrew, this method of driving, which will appear objectionable to many, being preferred by the inventor to mechanical gearing or other forms of power transmission. The blades or wings of the horizontal airscrew are each articulated to a hub in such a manner that they are free to turn in all directions, but are prevented from falling, when at rest, by wires attached to a central column. In flight, the wings take up the correct position as a result of the aerodynamic and centrifugal forces acting on them; the angle of incidence can, however, be regulated by the pilot by means of ailerons fitted on their trailing edges. For horizontal flight, a separate engine and tractor screw are mounted on the front of the fuselage, and we understand that the method of controlling the machine in flight is the same as that of an ordinary aeroplane, with the addition of the incidence control already mentioned. So far, three machines of the type described have been constructed, two for the French Government and one, by Messrs. Saunders, of Cowes, for the Air Ministry. Of these, the first had four wings, on two of

which 50 h.p. Anzani engines were mounted near the centre; a 35-h.p. Anzani engine was provided, in addition, for horizontal flight. This machine had a total weight of 1,875 lb. and is understood to have risen from the ground on several occasions. The second machine, weighing 1,320 lb., had only two wings, on the extreme outer end of each of which a 32-h.p. Bristol Cherub engine was fitted; a 50-h.p. Anzani engine was, in this case, provided for propulsion. This machine is also said to have risen several times. The British-built machine, however, has not yet been tried. It is generally similar to the second machine, but has four wings each fitted with a 32-h.p. Bristol-Cherub engine, a 100-h.p. Genet engine being mounted in the front of the fuselage for horizontal flight; the power plant thus aggregates 228 h.p. The weight of the machine, which is a two-seater, is not given, but trials are shortly to be carried out by the Air Ministry, and the results will be awaited with much interest, not unmingled, we fear, with a certain amount of scepticism. In any case, the trial, as Mr. Wimpey said in the discussion on the paper, will probably settle the question whether there is any advantage in aircraft of this type, or whether the advantages outweigh the disadvantages.

NEW SILK STORE

A new silk store trading under the name of the Tajmahal Silk Store, was opened on the 23rd inst. at No. 5, Wyndham Street, opposite the "China Mail" office, where an interesting selection of Silk or Silk Goods is displayed.

Mr. Narottam Morari, a millionaire shipowner of Bombay, was found lying dead in a ravine.

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REBUILDING THE ORGAN AT ST. PAUL'S

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LARGEST IN LONDON

Three hundred miles of electric wire are being used in the rebuilding of the organ at St. Paul's Cathedral.

The work is in active progress, and it is hoped that it will be completed in time for the performance of Bach's Passion Music during Lent next year. The largest pipe on the pedal board will be thirty-two feet in length. It is made of pine wood, two and a half to three inches thick, and weighs nearly one ton. The organ is being enlarged, and it will rank among the largest of its kind in London.

It was in 1925 that the organ was dismantled owing to the repair of the dome pillars, and in order to carry on the musical traditions of the Cathedral the instrument was reconstructed, a skeleton of its former self, in a temporary position in the nave.

As the repairs to the pillars of the Cathedral dome are now nearly finished the organ is being replaced in its former position. A number of improvements and additions are being made to the organ which will add to its power and variety of tone. The electric mechanism installed in the temporary instrument, which ensures a rapid and crisp response on the part of the pipes, is being retained, as well as the modern blowing plant, consisting of a rotary fan.

When complete the organ will possess five manuals, and eighty-seven speaking stops, controlling about 4,500 pipes which vary in weight from nearly one ton to half an ounce, all of which will be carefully brushed out and cleaned before the organ is reassembled. The old organ case, a fine example of Grinling Gibbons's carving, is being retained.

While the work of rebuilding the organ is proceeding a small two-manual instrument on wheels will be used to accompany the services. Mendelssohn is counted among the musical giants who have played

THE RIGHT OF MAN

GIVES WAY TO RIGHTS OF WOMAN

THE ANTI-FEMINIST

Exasperated beyond endurance by the domineering and perverse conduct of the "ultra-feminists," certain indignant gentlemen in Germany and Austria lately instituted "The World's League for the Rights of Man."

The campaign, says the "Morning Post," has already crossed the Channel and hostilities have opened at the very gates of Westminster. Each of the three Party leaders has had his attention drawn to the iniquitous "injustices" under which modern man labours.

The divorce laws, for instance. How scandalous that a woman, however wealthy in her own right, should be granted alimony! How monstrous that she should be permitted to retain for ever a title filched from an unsuspecting Count or Baron in a moment of youthful rapture! The "anti-ultra-feminist" intends to sweep away all such unequal and derogatory legislation.

He also has his eye on the Schools, holding that there is no more insidious foe of manhood than the growing practice of permitting boys to be instructed by members of the softer sex.

"We are against the masculine woman who thinks she can take any man's job and do it better than he can." Unfortunately for the League, there are a good many women who not only think they are so fitted, but are actually proving their competence in all spheres of activity.

"The Rights of Man" died a natural death in the War, and show little signs of being resuscitated. "The World's League for the Rights of Man" is the final spasmodic twitching of a worm that will never turn again.

on St. Paul's organ. The present organist is Dr. Stanley Marchant, and eminent organists at the Cathedral during the past half century have included Dr. Charles Macpherson, Sir George Martin, Sir John Stainer, and Sir John Goss.

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Behind the Scenes in Hollywood

HEAD WORK

(By Dorothy Herzog.)

It seems that Evelyn Brent has a tonic that is supposed to take half an hour before dinner time. It seems also that the tonic tastes like nothing in or out of paradise. Miss Brent, therefore, is in the throes of daily brainstorms plotting ways to logically avoid taking that tonic. She fell upon what promised a sane reason not to down it. She simply ate a lot of cakes guaranteed to give a boiler indigestion; and of course, had to take bicarbonate of soda, which made her feel like a storm at sea. Hence, she couldn't take the tonic that night, and in spite of the condition of the tummy, Miss Brent wore a triumphant expression.



Scared and crippled by boiling water when she sought cooling shower, Juanita Hansen, actress, charged in her suit for \$250,000 against a New York hotel.



The recent eclipse of "The Star of Bengal," an unsuccessful play written for Joan Lowell to shine in by her husband, Thompson Buchanan, may have been a potent influence in her decision to seek a divorce from her playwright husband. It is alleged they are separated and plan to make the separation final.

"HELL'S ANGELS"

For three years, now, "Hell's Angels" has been in the process of becoming a celluloid product. Nary once has this slumberous bureau what's what.

Being full of balm and no one else in the department willing to sacrifice siesta for cinema, the headman went to the Metropolitan lot. And so, in due course, to the stage housing Howard Hughes, Ben Lyon, James Hall, Jean Harlow, and others.

Discovered:

That "Hell's Angels" will positively be in the "box" in three weeks. You can believe it or not. This department remains neutral. Jimmy Hall is dual-ing in celluloid these days. No sooner does he finish his day in Mr. Hughes' expensive flick, than he bustles over to the Famous lot and changes into evening clothes. Jimmy is master-of-ceremonies for this company's initial revue, "Paramount on Parade." Little is known of this talkies, except it has been in production several months and the end isn't in sight yet.

At all events, November 14 saw Jimmy master-of-ceremony-ing Maurice Chevalier into the revue. Jimmy was called upon to say it in French, and his troubles are unprintable. Chevalier and his wife boarded the Chief that same eve, bound for New York and the popular Frenchman's next starring effort. He has two numbers in Paramount's revue. One with Evelyn Brent. The other a song and chorus stage-full.

As soon as Jimmy is through with "Hell's Angels," he goes to work in his next Famous picture, "Let's Go Native," with Jeanette MacDonald. His contract expires the end of the year. In the event his option isn't taken up, Hall intends returning to the stage in musical comedy. He will sample the footlights again the first week in December. At which time he headlines at the local Orpheum Theatre in a pretentious song and dance act. The boy is there at that racket.

MEBBE NOT LONG

Perhaps it won't be long now ere Bebe Daniels and Ben Lyon up and get hitched. It was last New Year's at Agua Caliente, that the two first met. Both were there with separate parties, but both sorta teamed. The meeting resulted in others and pretty soon their engagement was the favorite paragraph rumour. But Ben and Bebe had decided not to think of matrimony until they had known each other a year. If they felt like taking the altar promenade then—ok. And they do, it seems. The year's experiment expires January 1, 1930, at which time they will again be in Caliente for New Year's whoopee. Ben scoffs at the notion they'll be married there and then, however. He and that little Daniels gal have other plans up their sleeves.

UNUSUAL — VERY

Guy Oliver is an elderly actor who enjoys the unusual record of having been with Famous Players for thirteen years, minus a contract. Purely a verbal agreement, whereby for the thirteen years he has drawn salary fifty two weeks per each. He was worked in 1928 pictures during the time. He's a friend of Jesse Lasky. Being a rare and cheerful aspect of this his-

TEMPERAMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Lydel Peck (Janet Gaynor, to be sure) have leased a home in Beverly Hills. "Tother eve," it being the premier of Janet's and Charlie Farrell's flick, "Sunny Side Up", Janet decided to give a little dinner party. The cook was told there would be twenty-eight guests. The cook promptly packed up and walked out!

But why Janet Gaynor and Charlie Farrell in such a soaked-in-sugar musical comedy story? Janet is not quite as miscast as Charlie. But enough so to cause sighs.

This department from now on is plugging for a Zane Grey musical comedy, with horses trained a la the Tiller Girls and trees and rocks coming through as chryses for the tenor voiced hero and contralto voiced heroine duets. If there be justice, we shall gamble the most on it....

ALL QUIET ETC.

These ancient ears leaned Universal-ward and heard that Russell Gleason has been borrowed from Pathe to portray the lead in "All Quiet on the Western Front." Russell is under contract to Pathe and for a lad of his twenty-one years—or is it only twenty?—is a humdinger. Directors Lewis Milestone and George Kukor suddenly set their hearts on young Gleason playing this beaucoup important role. Negotiations were entered into and all that is necessary now is to iron bound matters via the dotted line signatures.



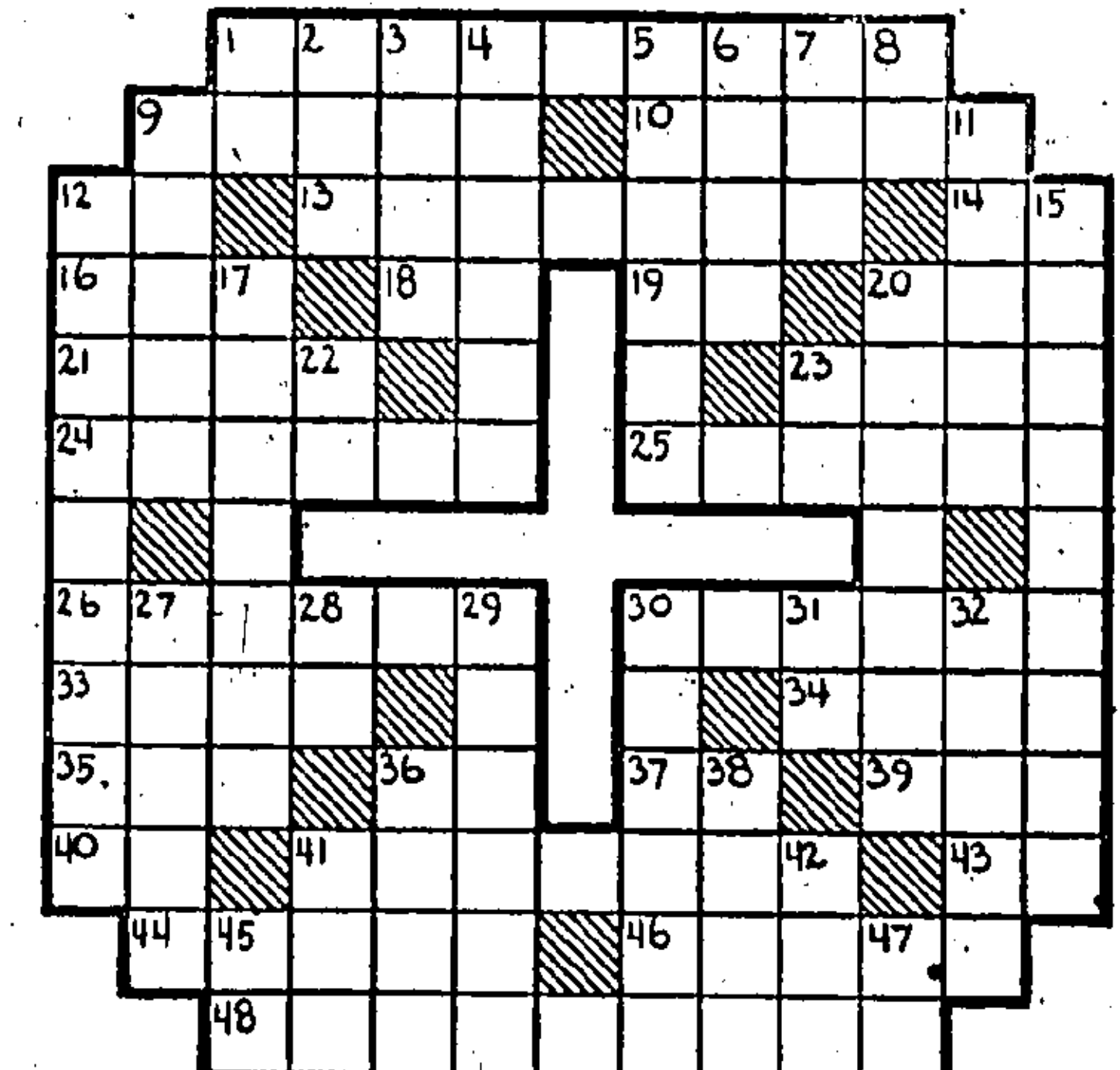
Hansen Swaffer, the well-known London dramatic critic who had his face slapped by Miss Lillian Foster, American actress, when she resented his criticism of her appearance in a London theatre.

NORMAN TREVOR PASSES

The passing of Norman Trevor deprives the screen of another good actor. Mr. Trevor died at the State hospital at Norwalk after an illness of some months. He was 62. He is survived by a daughter.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Barrier closing a passage | 36-Electric Telegraph (abbr.) | 9-Feminine name |
| 2-Brood of an eagle | 37-Left side (abbr.) | 11-Tonic spasm |
| 10-Pen-name of Mary Evans Cross | 38-Celebrated abbr. | 12-Suitable |
| 12-Masculine name (short) | 40-Each (abbr.) | 15-Adieu |
| 13-Completed | 41-To raise (abbr.) | 17-Idle talking |
| 14-Preposition | 43-General Secretary | 20-Pertaining to the American alce |
| 16-Depression | 44-Pertaining to Scandinavian countries | 22-Printer's measure |
| 18-Toward | 46-Tidy | 23-States Militia (abbr.) |
| 19-The (French) | 48-Strengthen | 27-A song of joy |
| 20-Curious scraps of literature collected on some subject | | 28-Civil engineer (abbr.) |
| 21-Land measure | VERTICAL | 29-A cotton fabric |
| 22-To slight | 1-Exist | 30-Hot dust-laden wind of Mediterranean |
| 23-A ground nut | 2-Skill | 31-Notary Public (abbr.) |
| 25-Branching | 3-Revelry | 32-A funeral song |
| 26-Plural of apex | 4-Cautic repartes | 33-In addition to |
| 30-River in South Carolina | 5-An underground room | 38-Heavenly body |
| 33-Noxious | 6-To the lee side | 41-Before |
| 34-A person difficult to bear with (slang) | 7-Completed | 42-Et cetera (abbr.) |
| 35-Support | 8-Prefix indicating the beginning of an era | 45-Elther |
| | | 47-Tellurium (abbr.) |

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SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

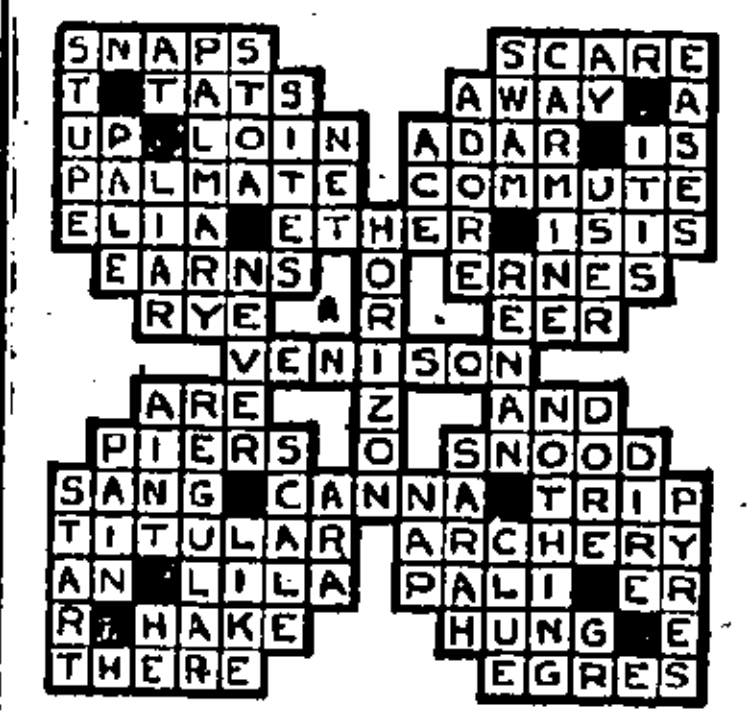
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

MARY PICKFORD

Mr. A. W. Stockman, secretary of the Motion Picture Relief Fund, writes to correct a slightly erroneous statement made in this column: "...Miss Mary Pickford," writes Mr. Stockman, "is president of the Motion Picture Relief Fund, and it is for this organization that she intends to sponsor a charity ball probably early this winter. It will be held in Los Angeles." "This bureau, in its clumsy fashion, stated it would be held in New York."

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Manila	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29.
Canada (Victoria, B.C., Dec. 7), U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	President Garfield
Japan and Shanghai	President Madison
U.S.A. (San Francisco, Dec. 6), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Canada
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	Letters 5.5 p.m.
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Shanghai	Dernocous 5 p.m.
Alibi	Anhui 5 p.m.

CHINESE CHARGED WITH FORGERY

CLEVER IMITATIONS THAT WOULD DECEIVE PEOPLE

FIVE MONTHS' JAIL

The case in which Ng Pok (20), unemployed, was charged with the unlawful possession of three forged \$100 Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation notes, was concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day before Mr. T. S. White-Smith.

Chan Shu, a detective, stated that on December 24 he went to 18 Portland Street and saw accused coming out of the doorway, acting in a suspicious manner. He then approached him and searched him. In the left-hand single sleeve he found the three notes. He took him to the Yau-matli Police Station.

It was stated that the accused had a purse on him, which contained a 5 cent piece and three copper cents.

Testified As Forgeries

Detective Sergeant Fowle said that he went to the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and saw the manager, who testified that the notes were forgeries and stamped them accordingly.

Asked by the Magistrate how he came to be in possession of the notes, the accused said that a relative of his, Leung Lam, had given the money to him—not to sell—but to repay debts to people.

Sergeant Fowle pointed out that the three notes were too greasy to be genuine ones.

Clear 1 rauds

To prove that they were forgeries, Mr. H. W. Cheng, Shroff of the Kowloon Magistracy, entered the witness box. He said that the three notes were clear forgeries, in that their backgrounds differed, and the lettering was not so black as in the genuine ones. All the same, they were very well forged, and could deceive many persons as eight per cent. of them looked like genuine notes.

The Magistrate inquired of the accused if he had a witness for his defence, but he replied that his mother knew all about the money affair, and that she was at present in the country.

He added that the other day he had a one dollar note picked from his pocket while he was on a ferry, so he put these \$100 notes up his sleeve as a safeguard.

His Worship held that had the accused not been arrested quickly people would have been defrauded to the amount of \$300.

Accused was sentenced to five months' hard labour.

A tender of \$1,958,378 by the Sir John Norton Griffith Company for the heightening of the Assuan Dam has been accepted by the Egyptian Cabinet. It was the lowest tender by half a million.

HOW THEY SPENT XMAS AT HOME

SUN, SLEET, RAIN & HURRICANES SWEEP ACROSS BRITAIN

SUNNY BOXING DAY

London, Yesterday. Christmas holiday weather was variable yesterday, and sun, sleet, and rain had turns, accompanied by high winds, which reached a velocity of 90 miles an hour hurricane.

Several shipping mishaps occurred round the British and French coasts, fishing vessels being cast on the rocks and their crews narrowly escaping death.

Heavy weather in the North Sea caused a bad leak and other damage to the lightship "Thalun," a new 200 ton vessel from Newcastle to Rangoon. She was towed in, dock at Dover.

Boxing Day was favoured with warm sunshine and very agreeable outdoor weather, of which holiday makers took full advantage.

Radio Programme

Broadcast Christmas greetings were exchanged between Britain and the United States.—An afternoon programme of dance music and songs was

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Temperature, 4 p.m., yesterday 69
Humidity, 10 a.m., to-day 77
Humidity, 4 p.m., yesterday 68

relayed by the B.B.C. from Schenectady, near New York, while in the evening, the National Broadcasting Company of America relayed part of the programme from 2LO. Both relays were very successful. The American programme was also relayed to Holland, and announced with Christmas wishes both in English and Dutch.—Reuter.

Active Hostility

London, Dec. 24. It is not with a very Christmassy feeling with which the members of the House of Commons will adjourn for the Recess.

They meet to-day (which is the first Christmas Eve parliamentary sitting for forty years) in an atmosphere of active hostility and not goodwill. They are indignant that they have not been given an opportunity before the Recess for a general debate on momentous questions like finance, Egypt and the Singapore Base.

The Opposition had declared their willingness to sit on Christmas Eve to obtain their rights and the Government took them at their word, and now the Opposition, really not wishing to sit in Christmas Week, have hit back by putting down questions for nearly every Minister to-day.

Long-Awaited Debate

The plum of the proceedings is expected to be the debate between the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, and Mr. Winston Churchill, as the latter will reply to Mr. Snowden's recent slashing attack on his finance when he was Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The statement by Mr. William Graham last evening on the Government's intentions as regards the Coal Mining Bill are going a long way to meet the Liberal demands in that connection, especially his declaration that the Government will see that the public are protected against a rise in the price of coal.

This, however, has not entirely healed the Liberal-Labour breach, as expected, but on the contrary authoritative Liberals have condemned the statement as vague, which shows that the Liberals do not intend to abandon their stiff attitude against the Bill. Hence, when Parliament reassembles a (Continued at foot of next column)

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keen political battle may be expected. The Government resent the Conservative obstruction and are annoyed with the Liberals, while the latter are angry that their efforts to re-open behind the scenes have been rejected.

Questions for All

Over 100 questions were on the order paper of the Commons to-day, and not a single Minister was omitted by the majority. Hence

the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, and two of his colleagues were temporarily crowded out of the Front Bench.

The questions ranged from the habits of the grey seal to the brand of eggs served to Members.

The Commons were naturally unimpressed by the packed list of questions from Members of the House who were in the front row.

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